

## **APPENDIX 8**

Source	RecreationalUses	Landscaping	PublicUses	Activities	Aesthetic	Historical	OverallLookFeel	OtherThings	Comments
Adult	Small basketball court	More Trees_Birch, Oak for squirrels	Picnic Tables		One Meadow are for Wildflowers & Milkweed for Monarch Butterflies		Keep it Green and Open		
All Town Meeting	International Park								International Park: See Attachment B
All Town Meeting	Gazebo	Water Feature, Expose Foundation of house			Gazebo				
Biz community	Carousel!	Activities and peacefulness	No outdoor/Indoor market						See Attachment I
Biz community	Something really different and a destination								
email		Leave as a Park	Let Boy Scouts use to sell Trees	Skating Rink	Gazebo, Sculptures				I encourage Town to first decide what we want with this land and then deal with the Funding. There will be ample funds if it captures the heart and minds of fellow citizens. Kendrick Park is a fantastic capstone to the North end of Downtown and we are very fortunate to have it.
email	A Playground	Open Space		Enclosed Dog Park					
email	Places to sit and to play	Remain Open Space			Remain free of development, some benches on occasion				
email	Passive Recreation	Leave As Is			daylight the Tan Brook				Clean up Tan Brook as joint Venture between town/gown
email	Skating pond in the middle	Perennial garden to rival Bridge of Flowers in the south end		an eco-friendly play structure in the north end					
email									Parking & Traffic provisions: See Attachment A
Email		Do Not add vegetation, prune and open up visibility	Community gathering spot	Music and arts for the community	Gazebo/bandstand			Increase parking around the Park	Refer to Attachment C
email	Skating rink								Parking concern & Proposal: See Attachment D

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email	We need a place for Teens to recreate								See Attachment E
Email	Keep the Ice skating rink	Plant more trees, smaller decorative ones	Extend various Fairs to this park		Some park benches				See Attachment G
email	Town Ice Rink, holiday theme vendors, hot drinks		Allow Boy Scouts to sell Xmas trees, make december a very festive time in heart of Amherst						See Attachment H
Email	Keep pristine, beautiful and an oasis of serenity in the middle of the hustle and bustle	Pull out asphalt, repair sunken sidewalk, put in some benches and leave the park alone	Let the public frolic spontaneously and keep programming structure to a minimum				"If it ain't broke, don't Fix it"		
email									
Email	Informal Frisbee or Ball Toss	Open/Natural, restore the Brook!	Local community organizations like Boy Scouts or Earth Day	Nothing with too much foot traffic	We love open feel of the space	A plaque about Kendrick as well as about Brook			
email	Only thing missing is places to sit/esp. for older folks		a few benches and a picnic table or two; and of course a few containers to throw away the garbage		Leave as green as possible; let's enjoy the trees and span of grass				
email	encourage people to relax and talk; low impact skating rink	unobtrusive and natural elements; stone benches; unpretentious labyrinth or garden	Natural seeming way to accommodate a small gathering to hear a poet or musician				As little as possible; nothing trendy or garish	Gently increase parking around the Park; diagonal or compact only would be good	Refer to Attachment: K
email	A welcome resting place for seniors; Walking	lovely shaded green space	Walking, some restrooms	Not good for playground/skatepark or activities that encourage car parking as traffic is formidable	For safety would need to fence in a playground; this would limit the scenic and pastoral components				Refer to Attachment: L
email			encourage more use but keep green; Indoor Farmer's market good but not best place to put it; encourage long term, year round biz; not new vendors in park	outdoor cafe or eating place-indoor area for cold weather					Refer to Attachment: M

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email	KP should have a playground so downtown is more welcoming of families w/young children		The RIGHT playground would make KP a destination for people; bring in shoppers and eaters	Refer to the "Adventure playground" in Berkeley, CA					Refer to Attachment : N
email		Do Beautiful Landscaping	An Oasis; Perhaps a bandshell for concerts;				Leave it open and Park like		Refer to Attachment: O
email	South end: Lying in sun, hanging out; north end picnic tables plantings	Plantings to separate from traffic;							
Letter	Carousel and/or Gazebo to encourage destination community gatherings and visits	Limb up trees for clear view across park and encourage commerce around park	Move Farmers market to Park; allow street vendors to sell				The park must be a compelling and attractive link of UMass and downtown. It's the Gateway	Parking nose-in, or angled, perpendicular to improve parking	
Letter		Save the Smoke Bush							See Attachment F
mail	Possible skating rink in winter								Everyone wants open space in Amherst and this is a prime example of wonderful open space
mail	Band Box Mini Golf course to raise \$\$ for Town	Benches, Fountain	Areas to rent for family reunions						
neighborhood	Winter ice skating rink, places to sit and watch	Flowers, trees, water features, benches, picnic tables, walkways for strollers & Wheelchair of roses	A Place for Boy Scouts to sell trees, possible more farmers market for this area-add artisans local food, community garden	Give Ms & HS kids something to do in the park, chess etc Not sure if we can accomodate a skate park. Is there a Good Climbing tree to plant?			A Place for people to walk, sit, relax and congregate		Parking and Traffic Provisions: See Attachment J

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Neighborhood	Skating rink in winter, walkways, benches, intimate terraced area for music, readings, mines, use for frisbee, walking, eating, relaxing, pick up games	Natural stone benches and walkways, use exposed foundation to make area for sitting or intimate music, plays Enhance landscape that already exists, add some plantings for noise control especially evergreens for winter color	Intimate events such as music, poetry readings, perhaps a gazebo or amphitheatre built into the ground. Ok for Boy Scouts or others to do seasonal activities- permit based. Need 2nd Farmers market: on Pray Street, Near Park but not in Park	Passive and active, An area that is fenced off that appeals to young children but also aesthetically appealing to all ages; i.e., berms or formations for climbing on et al.... also swings hanging from trees for all ages to swing.	North End: Passive, South End more Active. Mark all Tree Species.	Brief history of park and houses that stood there	Beautiful, multi-use Very green oasis but well used, elder, stroller and disadled access overall park design and layout for use (i.e. benches paths pruning trees etc)	Hold off on Structures and Gardens (i.e. perennials, mazes etc) until use and plan established but implement overall park design	
Neighborhood	We need a toddler park								
Neighborhood	Design a simple playground for the park		An Oasis to attract families to the core. A playground can establish a residential neighborhood				Want a healthy neighborhood and a downtown people want to live in		Proposal for Kendrick Park playground: Refer to Attachment: Q
Neighborhood	Design a simple playground fit for the park		A playground is an amenity that will attract families to downtown						Proposal for Kendrick Park playground: Refer to Attachment: Q
Neighborhood child	Ice Skating, Basketball, playground, pool	flowers, water fountain, fountain	Ice skating, concerts, playing	Ice skating, concerts, playing		Barak Obama statue Emily Dickinson statue		Friday movies, picnic tables mini fairs bake sales	
Neighborhood Child	Skatepark, Ice rink, playground, Pool	Fountain, garden, benches	Movies, farmers market	Concerts, swimming	Robert Frost statue, Barak Obama statue		FUN	Skate park	
Neighborhood child	Ice Rink, playground, basketball court	Fountain, gardens, picnic tables, benches	Movies	Ice skating basketball playground		Rosa Parks, Barak Obamaor Robert Frost Statue	Fun		
Neighbors	Fenced in area for smaller children	More Apple Trees	picnics on lawn	A Dog Run	Like a European Park, special areas or features		Empty space, more flexible		Keep the Park separate form the road or fence or plantings
Neighbors	Keep skating Rink	Paths	Bathrooms		Night Lighting				
Neighbors	Skating Rink should remain	Paths and some benches	A visitor Center for Town	Thal Chi	A War Memorial				
Neighbors	Skating in Winter, Water Park in Summer	A Path that crosses and surrounds the Park	Grassy Amphitheatre, performance space	A jogging Loop	Use Natural Forms, stone benches, Berns etc.				Traffic Noise would be helped by Shrubs
Neighbors	We Loved skating Rink	Natural setting, open and Green	Like the Squares in Paris, very much a gathering spot		A small terraced area to use for performances and sitting cafe Style that could transform readily		Use stone, Bricks and berms for natural forms for multi-uses and attractive, European style		Close off North Pleasant to create a real Haven for Park Goers

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Neighbors	Paths for Cross-Country Skiing	Dont Change Trees	Create a blended in, delineated naturalistic space for performance like Porter Phelps House						
Neighbors		Shrubs and Flowers							We need a place for parents of young children to meet other parents
Neighbors		A few benches, a path and a few picnic tables							A Place is needed for teenagers to have something to do, Somewhere to go
Neighbors		Berms							
Neighbors		A small grouping of fruit Trees							
Neighbors		Grass and Trees							
Neighbors	Some kind of safe area for toddlers to play								
Neighbors	We need to attract Teens; there's no place for teens to hang out	Low maintenance and simple							
Neighbors	A skateboard park or basketball court	Keep as natural as possible							
Neighbors	A place to throw a frisbee or kick a soccer ball	Not alot of structures							
Neighbors	Climbing stones like at Cushman green								
Neighbors		Some paths, some benches							
Neighbors		Make the Park the focus							
Neighbors	No skateboard Park	Use Earthforms for areas to climb and play							
Neighbors	Skating Rink was wonderful	Open with no cement			Open space is precious				
Neighbors	A place parents can come with their children								
Neighbors		I'd like benches, some picnic tables but keeping it mostly the way it is							
Neighbors	Skating rink and pick up games, walking and relaxing, enjoying nature	So beautiful that people want to come	small gatherings, art walk events, boy scouts, a space for music or performances to be held	passive and pick up games	use natural materials, expose foundations		Beautiful	Close or make one way North pleasant Street to enhance park like, quiet feel	

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Neighbors	An Active area and a more quiet area								
Neighbors	The emptier the space the more flexible it can be								
school community	A playground but should have a fence for safety of small children	Benches, places to sit, bike racks	The Boy Scout use is nice. A Warm Bus Shelter, A heated community Center	Something for kids to do					
Survey	Keep the park open		Artwalk-Kids coming to the Park	Multi-Use, fields, sitting, throwing, Events	Green Park, no buildings or Perm structures		Green Park, Open Space		The park is next to a residential neighborhood
survey	ice skating	walking, jogging paths, flower garden	dog run		climbable sculptures		benches, places to sit		
survey	Places to sit and relax, enjoy with paths flowers	paths, flowers		not appropriate for playground	fountain, art shows, musical and dramatic performance		Relaxing	Band Stand	
survey	lawn	Keep Trees	benches or low walls for sitting on	check	fountain	Sculpture	Spot of beauty & Rest	Keep Boy Scouts Tree sale	
survey	check	check			small brook		natural		
survey	Skateboard Park	A few more shrubs only	For short periods; free, for longer a small fee		fountain, not wimpy like across police station			no signage	Do we have money for maintenance? Be sure to leave empty space though for tossing Christmas Tree Sale OK
survey	winter Skating, Frisbee, picnicing	Park with benches & pleasant comfortable area		Quiet daytime activities	Plantings: park should be well kept and attractive		Safe & Fun		
survey	Low key	Perennial gardens for summer, small annual beds	No structures, No foods sold	Ice skating outdoors, great idea	Curved Paths		Walking paths, benches, like Boston Common		
survey	Playground, Basketball, Checkers	Flowers	Lots of Benches	Bocce- Croquet Area	similar to the way it looks now		possible daylight Tan Brook		Don't cut down the Apple Tree
survey	A Fountain and Benches	Native plantings for wildlife	benches for sitting	public readings, historical plays	Open space		uncluttered		
survey	no organized sports, no playgrounds,	small border gardens, hostas under trees		Limit to recreational, no LSSE activities	Benches, No Picnic Tables	plants or fences	beautiful	No plastic Playground	
survey	Children Play	benches, Paths	No tag sales, No Fairs	Open play, sitting and reading	Open Space	garden	Peaceful, Green		No dividing the space to play here, sell there, eat another place
Survey	None	No need for More	With Approval	Ice Skating	Natural	Keep Natural	Natural	Don't Make Changes Too Quickly	
Survey	Music Concerts	Paths to middle with a Gazebo in Middle	Playground (Fenced in for safety)	FUN		A lovely 19th Century Gazebo	Safe and Fun to Hang out		I'd like to see a Gazebo W/room for 8-10 musicians for Summer evenings this would be great
Teen	play structure, Ice Skating rink,	community garden	Parades, Rallies	Political Rallies, after School spot to hang out	Stone walls & Flowers	Trees, floral path, beauty in nature	You should include Sculptures and pieces of Art		

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Teen	jungle gym and see saw	benches, fountain		Morning Yoga Classes	flowers and Sculptures	Uma Thurman Statue	Natural. Still but with some modern things		
Teen	soccer, ultimate fields	Nature Preserve	Ultimate Games	playground with Fun stuff	Monuments		Beautiful natural oasis		
Teen	Mangos	Japanese theme	BBQ's	slamball		Ethiopian	Beauty		
Teen	Roller Coaster	Botanical Garden	BBQ's	ice skating in Winter			Chill		
Teen	Ice Skating Rink	Big Ice Rink	Ice Skating				Beautiful, cozy. Welcoming		
Teen	Ice Skating Rink	Flower Maze	Fairs, Concerts	Merry Go Round	Statue of Someone Cool		Happy Fantasy Land with Fairy Lights and Music		
Teen	rock climbing wall								
Teen	A Pool, A Hookah Lounge	Flowers	Stage	Swimming	Monument		Peace & Love & Happiness	A Hookah Lounge	
Teen	indoor basketball gym	No trees, Fountains	skating rink in winter	summer BBQ's			Community		
Teen	Just to walk around	gardens, trees	block party	Football	skating Rink		people can Chill or continuation of Town to make it bigger		
Teen	Skate Park	flowers	Skate Park, Music	Skating, Music	Skate Park		Honey	More benches	
Teen	Basketball Court	Mad Trees	Concerts	concerts	Concerts	Nothing with Jeffrey Amherst	Free Pizza, Basketball court	Rename "Da Park"	
Teen	Ice Rink,	Trees	Basketball court	Concerts	Memorial	Memorial	Inviting, Welcome, Beautiful		
Teen	Rollerblade Rink, Basketball court	Not too many trees	Clean bathrooms	Basketball, skateboarding			Clean, Safe, New	Basketball courts	
Teen	Skateboarding	Bushes	Bathrooms, clean	Concerts, Dance parties	Alot of trees, very green				
Teen	Concerts	Hill for sledding, benches	Concerts	concerts	Statue	statue	Holiday decorations		
Teen	Mini Golf course, skatepath, basketball court	Fountain like other common	Playground for kids, clean bathrooms, concerts		Maybe a nice memorial		Beautiful	Concerts, basketball	
Teen	skatepark	More Trees	concerts	concerts	statue		Its Good		
Teen	Pavement paths for easy biking	A fountain, some nice wildflowers, a Pagoda	A fair or picnic area	Biking or other activities	Monuments that represent the town of Amherst		Nice relaxed atmosphere and very open to the public for use as a sports field		
Teen	Thai Chi	Good Looking Stuff	Open to the public	sports related stuff	Nice looking		Don't cut down trees		
Teen	Music	Trees	Music concerts	Skating Rink, Tennis	Monuments		Clean		
Teen	Fields, Ultimate Varsity girls	Willow trees, Japanes Cherry Trees	BBQ's and Benches	Ultimate Varsity girls	Emily Dickinson/Robert Frost		Inclusive	Ultimate Frisbee	
Teen	Field Hockey/Lacrosse, No Soccer	Flowers, Rocks, Grass	Sitting	No Frisbee or soccer	Statues		Fun and Pretty		



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Teen	Field Hockey & Lacrosse	Lots of Flowers	Sitting and Walking Fun Tournaments, Playground for Kids	No Frisbee or Soccer	Statues	"	Fun and Pretty		
Teen	Basketball court	Small garden		Summer BBQ		"		Small dog park	
Teen	Handball and basketball court	Area for flowers, lots of trees			Statue of Obama	"	Relaxing and adventurous	Sports tournaments	
Teen	Winter ice skating, Merry go round	Labyrinth of flowers	Concert Stage	Rock climbing wall, skate park	Emily Dickinson Statue	"	Friendly, Exciting		
Teen	Football, Ultimate	Pretty Trees	Outdoor Concerts	Studying, soccer	Pretty Flowers	"	Tranquility	Somewhere to hang	
Teen	Football	Fountains, Bushes	Outdoor Movies	Skateboarding	Memorials	"	Oriental		
Teen	Ice Skating, Swing Sets	Pretty Trees		Swinging, skating	A Plaque commemorating Jeffrey Amherst	"	Pretty	sitting Areas	
Teen	Skate Park, Ice Skating rink	garden path	Rallies	Ice Skating	Emily Dickinson/Robert Frost Memorial	"	I Like Flowers and Gardens		
Teen	Basketball and Football	Have alot of colorful flowers	Tournaments	Summer sports	Have signs about before and After	"	Nice, colorful and pleasant feel to it	Have something to do during the winter	
Teen	Basketball	Trees, Flowers	BBQ Pits	Everything	Monuments	"	Many benches		
Teen	Tennis, Basketball, skate park	Flowers, Tree	Pool	Everyday use		"			
Teen		A Fountain, Should be Flowers, especially Daffodils	Dog Walking, Rent it for gatherings like Look Park	Frisbee, BBQing	An Historical Statue	"	Green and Open, FUN		
Teen	Skateboarding	skateboarding	skateboarding	swimming	Monument	"	Peace Love & Happiness	More skateboarding	
Teen	Pool, Ropes Course	Flowers	Stage			"			
Teen	Ferris Wheel, Cotton candy machine, water slide, Swings	Pretty, Lots of Flowers	Concerts, Bathrooms, Nice bathrooms	community Events, Concerts	Statue	"	Welcoming, Friendly		
Teen	Pool, Laser Tag	Garden with Benches	Lots of Privacy at night		History on a sign	"	Tall Bushes		
Teen	Pool	More trees, less bushes	outdoor concerts	sports and recreation	Historical monument	"	Open to All		
Teen	Tennis, Basketball	Flowers	BBQ Pits	Capture the Flag	Monuments	"	Outdoorsy		
Teen	Ferris Wheel, sky high slide petting Zoo	Live Grass not dead grass	Bathrooms	Concerts		"	Community Welcoming		
Teen	Benches with Checkers boards, Ice Skating rink	Open places to play sports or do whatever you want	Events like the one on the common (Taste of Amherst)	Skating in Winter	None	"	Inviting Fun, Good place to hang out		
Teen	Studying, relaxing	flowers, bushes, treet, benches	gatherings, rallies, Music	Kids running around	Sign for people to read about history, i.e., houses that used to be there	"	Nature, Clean	Don't spend too much money!	
Teen	Trampolines, Ferris Wheel, relaxing swings, a Bouncy house	Pretty flowers	bathrooms	Jumping, sitting spinning, laying, swinging	A Statue	"	Happy		

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Teen	Basketball court, swimming	Flat Grass	basketball, flag football	basketball			Fun for kids		
Teen	Swimming, skiing, volleyball court	trees, Flowers Bushes	Bathrooms	Volleyball, basketball	Museum		Peaceful, Maybe a Water Scene	Fountain	
Teen	Playground	Orchid Garden	BBQ's	BBQ's, Basketball	Nothing		More well Kept		
Teen	Hammocks, garden Swings, Trampoline, meditating	Trees, Flowers Bushes	Music festivals concerts, street performers, musicians	Jumping , Relaxing	Whatever floats your Boat		Clean, Green, Open to the Public	Safe Environment- Accepting of all people	
Teen	Swings	Paints & Hills	Concerts: Street Performers	Tag & Family events	Nothing to do with Jeffrey Amherst		Happy		
Teen	Relaxing, Field sports	Trees & Gardens	A Painting Wall	An Open space to relax	A Painting Wall		Beautiful	Town Wide Leaf Raking Event	
Teen	Swings and a play structure would be welcoming	grass but flowers too	Picnics		Keep the Trees; Label them		Welcoming and open for use		
Teen	Swings	Pretty, alot of grass	Kids, Fun, Fairs, Carnivals, races, picnics				Fun and Friendly		
Teen	swings!	Natives		Little Fairs, or sales, Festivals	A statue with an informational Plaque Flowers		A Swing Set would add a nice Community Feel		
Teen	Swings, Benches	Keep the trees At Wider Part get rid of middle Trees to have a small field for pick up games	Swinging	Swinging			Swing sets are key		
Teen	Swing Set		Gazebo for summer festivals	Swinging, Sports	No Idea				If it were turned into skateboard Pk it would become the place for kids to go after school but the older folks may not like this idea
Teen						Tables with students' artwork form ARHS, like cushion store, Artwork could change every year			
Teen	Gardening, outdoor bookclub, basketball, cosplay arena	Cacti	Communist Rallies	Yoga			Welcoming to All	More Public Debates	
Teen	Playground	Flowers, Fountain	Hippie Festivals, Concerts	Playground			Cut down some trees to make a big field		
Teen	Basketball	cement benches	Basketball tournaments, football	basketball				basketball and football	
Teen	Basketball, open space for sports	Calm, Urban	Basketball games	Sports			Warm, Summer		
Teen	Soccer	Gardening	Community Gatherings	Gardening, Thai Chi, Yoga	Flowers	Statue?			
Teen	Swings, Playground	Flowers, Trees(it should have more color)	Festivals	Community Service	Frost Trail?		Empty Flat		

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Teen	Roller Coaster		Handicap Accessible picnic benches						
Teen	Basketball	cement	basketball	basketball			basketball		
Teen	Like a new Sweater park with a Fountain	No Flowers-I like grass the way it is	Free food and Summer BBQ's	"	Emily Dickinson/Robert Frost	"	A grassy Field, Not an overdesigned Park		
Teen	Concerts, Fountain	Nice gardens, Flowering Trees	Concerts, community games, Karate, Outdoor movies	"			Beautiful but has practical uses	Those Bushes are not that nice	
Teen	Slide, Rock climbing Wall	Flower Maze	Fair	Fair, Merry-Go- Round, Knish Vender	Statue of someone famous	"	Happy, Pretty, Fun, Silly	Food Vendors	
Teen	Ice Skating, a rial garden for skiers/boarders	nice trees or flowers			A Plaque for Jeffrey Antheist		Nice		
Teen	Skate Park	Trees, places to sit	skateboard, hanging out	skateboarding	Leave the trees		Open and Welcoming		
Teen	Free Pool	No more trees	concerts	swimming	Monument		Greco-Roman Architecture		
Teen	Music	Birdbaths, flowers	Music festivals	Bands and stuff			Benches, tables, A stage	I think a music place could really work out well	
Teen	Yoga, Picnic area	fountain, garden, benches	fairs, yoga, kickball	picnics, yoga, rec sports			nature but practical		
Teen	Playground, swings, see-saw, etc	a garden w/flowers	musical performances	benches w/Checkerboards	Birdbath		benches with some picnic table		
Teen	Music	Flower garden	musical performance	boardgames	birdbath				
Teen	Walking, skateboarding	Trees	Everyone	skateboarding			Nice		
Teen	Music	Lots of trees and flowers	Bands	Music	Art, Modern sculpture	"	Natural and Clean		
Teen	Playground, skateboarding, soccer	Hedges, Japanese Maple	Playground	games, sports,	Memorial		Natural and Kid Friendly		
Teen	Tight rope walking clinic	bleeding hearts	Fairs	skateboard park	memorials	"	Pretty!	Fun Stuff	
Teen	Swing sets, skateboard	Gardens! Diff types of flowers	Fairs	Games, skateboarding	Memorials		Lots of Kids, Fun!		
Teen	Concerts	Keep Trees & Greenery	Fairs, international fair	Community movie screenings			Same way it looks now		
Town mtg			Continue to sell XMas trees						
Town Mtg	Multi-purpose use w/O much organization; South end could be more active		Need for public market space for Antheist Farmers		Nice green space use passively				
Town Mtg	An area for young families to go		Boy Scouts use only in December	General recreation				Concern about student use and damage to park	

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Town Mtg			Rural nature of Park, Farmers need alternative space; support Amherst Farming community	Open space, flexible use					
Town Mtg	Start small to see how the use works, Don't take a dramatic step		Need Covered structure; Like European markets	Covered structure could be multiuse- Farmers, skating, boy scouts etc., arts fairs, fundraising					
Town Mtg	Green W/O development		Intermittent use by organizations		Water Feature				Not every use good for Kendrick Park even if good idea
Town Mtg					Expose Foundations				Traffic important: Shut off North Pleasant Street
Town Mtg			Christmas feel of Xmas tree sales; profits help other boy scouts						Use Play Street for Farmer's Market
Town Mtg	Keep it a green space with benches and a small playground		KP is important to Boy Scouts; Keep the tradition of selling Xmas trees						
Town Mtg			Music poetry events like at Porter Phelps museum		Gazebo for music poetry I				
Town Mtg.	Frisbee, Homework, eating & relaxing	Green open space					Don't change it much		
Town Mtg.	Accessibility is very important; refer to Washington, DC Parks walkways etc	Landscape for color and seasons and ease of use		Plan based on activities to take place in Kendrick Park					Think about KP as a Master Plan; Don't focus on Money Focus on vision and Master plan
Town Mtg.		Connections to the park (Street crossings and use of calming of noise etc	Traffic: Thought needs to be given to traffic crossings and safety						
Town Mtg.		Small little places; We need Green in Winter	Use Boy Scouts Sale as model for possible future uses						Go Slow. Modest investment in walkways, ADA
Town Mtg.			East Pleasant Street a barrier for pedestrians and use of Park						



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**email			Outdoor holiday bazaar, carolling, outdoor music, snowman contest and hot cocoa stand						
**Letter			Farmer's market a great idea!						
**Community member	A Permanent, well maintained ice rink with other uses during warmer months		A warming hut for skaters with rental skates and hot chocolate and snacks						
**Community member			A European style winter cafe with hot mulled wine and light fare where patrons could watch the ice skating nearby	A Concert shell					



Dear Kendrick Committee Members:

My name is Jerry Guidera and I live on McClellan Street. I propose the following recommendation to the Committee.

The development of Kendrick Park presents a unique opportunity to address traffic concerns in the residential neighborhood to the west of the Park - specifically, McClellan Street and Lincoln Ave - with a simple change in traffic flow.

I propose we extend Kendrick Park some 20 feet to the south and cut access to North Pleasant at the intersection of North Pleasant and East Pleasant streets, directly across from the north entrance to the Carriage Shops. One-way access to Hallock Street and North Prospect would remain open down North Pleasant from McClellan, but this change would not allow access to the main "downtown" corridor of East/North Pleasant.

This would not only serve to discourage University-generated traffic in the McClellan residential neighborhood, it would expand Kendrick Park and both facilitate and encourage pedestrian traffic to the new park from the Pleasant Street west sidewalks.

I would like to address what I suspect would be the two most immediate concerns from neighbors and town officials.

**LOCAL ACCESS:** Access would not be cut to Hallock, North Prospect, McClellan or connected streets. Access would remain at the intersection of Triangle and North Pleasant, as well as down Lincoln Ave. While this change in traffic would admittedly inconvenience some local drivers, the benefit of eliminated University-generated traffic should outweigh that minor rerouting.

**EMERGENCY ACCESS:** If Kendrick Park is extended over the intersection of North Pleasant and East Pleasant at Hallock, it should be done with a raised cross walk that limits access to authorized emergency vehicles (police, fire, EMS). This would cut off access to the general public yet leave access open for emergencies.

I hope this note has provided a clear summary of this proposal. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. I have discussed this idea with some neighbors and hope to have the opportunity to discuss it at future planned meetings.

Best, Jerry

Jerry Guidera  
81 McClellan Street  
Amherst, MA 01002  
413 253-4633

# KENDRICK INTERNATIONAL PARK



...a proposal by alan root

## site

Kendrick Park is approximately the same size as the Amherst Common but its long and somewhat less rectangular shape offers a welcome challenge for creative design. To the park's north is the University of Massachusetts with the park situated as a gateway to the flagship campus of the state's higher education network. To the east, a very large set of adjacent commercial sites that could be zoned to provide commercial outlets at ground level with multi-storied residences above. Parking could be condensed into one or two multi-storied parking garages. Timespan for this development could be set at 25-30 years. To the west of the park are residential sites with extensive acreage. Over a period of 25-30 years, this land mass could contain condos while still meeting all the vital environmental safeguards.

Almost universally, there has been agreement that open space within the borders of the park with its existing botanical appeal needs to be conserved.

## problems

Excellence in park design almost never results from a design by committee. In this respect, the old saying "too many cooks spoil the broth" offers a highly useful caution. Committees that set a short list of design restrictions and a possible design theme work best.

## themes

A call for loosely-detailed plans from designers or design teams based on a community-generated theme might be the best way to move forward. There are many possible design themes: Amherst's farms and rural heritage... an outdoor museum along some of the street edges of the park with changing exhibitions featuring local artisans... clusters of trees along the park's perimeters with large uninterrupted open spaces. Then, there is my own personal preference – an international park to remind residents, students and visitors of our growing population diversity.

## kendrick international park

1. On the south side of the park – a small to medium playground featuring playtime attractions found in playgrounds across the globe.
2. Along the east and west park borders – a lighted sidewalk, punctuated by a total of 8 to 10 sculptures as gifts from countries located in diverse regions of the world. In addition – nearby rounded benches to encourage social interactions and to discourage people from lying down.
3. As existing trees require replacement, introduce non-invasive species from different parts of the world which can flourish in Amherst's weather. There needs to be a thoughtful visual balance between evergreen and non-green trees for wintertime.
4. The only building in the park would be a jeweled greenhouse. A partially below-grade level, geothermal building, it would make use of a transparent shell that would be vandal-proof. It would maintain a year round base temperature of 55 degrees with auxillary heating to raise the winter temperature to 68 degrees. The greenhouse would only be large enough to accommodate groups of 35 to 45 people for lectures, musical gatherings or simple seating that allows a colorful refuge from the winter blahs outside. Flowers within the greenhouse could be representative of dozens of countries throughout the world.





Shaffer, Larry

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**From:** Clare Bertrand [clarebertrand@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 29, 2008 12:40 PM  
**To:** Shaffer, Larry  
**Subject:** Kendrick Park

Larry,

Thank you for welcoming citizen input for the Kendrick Park future.

Here are my thoughts:

- increase parking around the Park

- Do NOT add vegetation, the Park is blessed with many beautiful trees that need trimming to open up the visibility.

- a gazebo or bandstand would be an attractive addition and something we don't have in town. This could serve as a community gathering spot and with all the talented musicians and artists in the area would be well used. Many New England towns have rich traditions of weekly summer band concerts. I grew up in a small town in northern VT with that tradition and it strengthened our town in very special ways.

I'm sure there are many other great ideas but those were my top considerations.

Thank you again for soliciting input. When you work collaboratively, you'll find this community will rally behind you!

*Cheers, Clare Bertrand*

*610 Bay Road*

*P8 TM member*

*And most importantly mother of Liam and Grace ☺*



**Arcamo, Judith**

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**From:** Stephen Braun [braun.writer@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 06, 2008 7:56 PM  
**To:** Kendrick Park Committee  
**Cc:** Mooring, Guilford  
**Subject:** thought

As a member of the Public Works Committee, I'd like to simply introduce an idea that might impact, in a relatively minor way, on Kendrick Park. As anybody who has driven through the intersection of Triangle St. and East. Pleasant St. knows, this intersection is "broken." The primary reason is that, at the moment, the east-bound traffic from UMass on Triangle St. is confronted with a "right-turn-only" sign at the intersection. Which means that through-traffic AND folks wanting to turn LEFT are funneled into a single lane. Which means that a single left-hand turn driver blocks all of the through traffic.

One solution would be to widen this intersection such that we accommodate a left-turn-only lane, a through-traffic-only lane, and a right-turn-only lane. This would make a tremendous amount of sense. But it would also, most likely, require some small incursion into the Kendrick Park space and maybe the removal of a tree or two.

Personally, I think this minor incursion and potential loss of tree(s) would be a very small price to pay for a significant improvement/correction of a current traffic-flow flaw. But others may disagree. Which is OK...that's what democracy is all about. I just feel impelled to raise this possibility to everyone involved in this issue so that we're all on the same page when (and if) the issue actually comes up.

The only other suggestion I have (as a local resident) is that the DPW spend a half-day with a bulldozer to level the area that was used last year as an "ad hoc" skating rink. It was great, but totally topographical! Just a little more leveling and you'd have a really nice, inexpensive rink for local residents!

Steve Braun  
180 Lincoln Ave.

9/7/2008

## Arcamo, Judith

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From: Debbi Friedlander [DebbiFriedlander@verizon.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2008 9:39 PM  
To: Arcamo, Judith  
Subject: Re: Kendrick Park Survey



Hi,

Thank you for asking for input regarding Kendrick Park. I live on Beston Street, and anticipate using the park a lot. I love it, and loved the old house that was there. I still love it, and would love to see it developed in a thoughtful and functional way.

I would like to see the park be something that the teenagers would use, such as a skate park, and perhaps a basketball court. There is no place where teens are really welcome in town. They tend to hang out by the Bangs Center and Rao's. All they can do there is talk on the phone, and literally "hang out." I'm not sure about the drug traffic that goes on there, but there are certainly a lot of drugs in Amherst. It would be nice for teens to have more activity-type options right in town, such as skating, or basketball, so the area kind of "lures" them after school lets out. I have passed through a small town in Vermont that has created a skate park, and a basketball court right in the town itself. I could remember the name of the town, but I know that it is north of Brattleboro, and just off Rte. 91. I'm not sure how they deal with liability issue. We can also be inspired by Montreal. They actually have a skiing mountain in their city!!! It was great having an actual ice skating place in Kendrick Park last winter. People enjoyed it even though the ice was less than perfect. This brings up the idea of this winter perhaps lining the ground with some heavy plastic sheeting first so the ground doesn't absorb the water so readily. My neighbor made a skating rink in his yard this way, and in the spring we used the sheeting for other things like makeshift greenhouses.

My Kendrick Park idea involves paving, which is not the most "beautiful" option, but I think the landscaping could make it nice, and functional. Perhaps using green colored pavement might make it "blend" into the greenery around the park.

Thanks for your energy around Kendrick Park. Our teens are worth our thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,  
Debbi Friedlander  
Director of Religious Education  
Unitarian Universalist Society of Amherst

(and mother of Amherst teenagers, past and present)

----- Original Message -----

From: "Arcamo, Judith" <ArcamoJ@amherstma.gov>  
To: <DebbiFriedlander@verizon.net>  
Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 8:18 AM  
Subject: Kendrick Park Survey

Attached is the survey you requested.

Judith Arcamo  
Administrative Assistant  
Town Manager/Select Board Office  
Town of Amherst  
4 Boltwood Avenue  
Amherst, MA 01002  
Phone: 413-259-3001/413-259-3002  
Fax: 413-259-2405



Linda Wallace  
15420 Aylesbury St.  
Silver Spring, MD 20905

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Sept 8, 2008

Dear Kendrick Park Committee,

I am the daughter of Charles and Evelyn Ward,  
the late owners of the Chapen-Ward House.

When, as executrix of my mother's estate, I sold the  
Chapen-Ward house in 2000, I remember there still  
existed on the south side of the property nearer to North  
Pleasant St., a smoke bush. This bush was a gift to  
me from my future husband, and was planted in the  
spring of 1962, the year of our marriage.

I have seen your announcement in the Amherst  
Bulletin, "Kendrick Park Call for Ideas." I would like  
to suggest, if this 46 year old botanical specimen  
still thrives, that it be saved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kudos to The KPC for such a thoughtful  
and inclusive approach in the creation of  
Amherst's new park.

Best wishes,

Linda Ward Wallace

Arcamo, Judith

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From: robert ackermann [jackcom@crocker.com]  
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2008 1:01 PM  
To: Kendrick Park Committee  
Subject: My Preferences for Kendrick Park



Thank you, Kendrick Park Committee, for asking each home! It is so inclusive and unusual!

We have preferences:

- 1) Keep it as a park; plant more trees, especially smaller, decorative ones, which are pretty all seasons, but keep the middle of the park open so that --
- 2) the various fairs on the big town common can be extended to this park. This would give more vendors an opportunity, AND people would walk THROUGH town from one part to the other. Result? More business for the shops and restaurants in between. Using this park in such a manner would make it a closer and more attractive destination for UMass students.
- 3) Keep the area that was used for last year's ice rink open for this use. Some park benches around the periphery of the park especially near this area, would facilitate use and enjoyment.

Thank you.

Bob and Inge Ackermann  
59 Sunset Avenue  
Amherst

Arcamo, Judith

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(H)

**From:** Alison Donta [adonta@mtholyoke.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 25, 2008 12:11 PM  
**To:** Kendrick Park Committee  
**Subject:** a suggestion for your committee

Dear Kendrick Park Committee...

I am writing in hopes that rather than grudgingly allowing the Boy Scouts to continue their annual tree sale at Kendrick park, why not look at this as an opportunity to capitalize on an established enterprise? Why not invite local merchants to set up booths to sell hot drinks, holiday-themed crafts, books, or cards to take advantage of the many people who come to buy trees from the Boy Scouts? Why not try to get the town ice rink up and running by the time of the sale (although I realize that is weather-dependent)? I encourage you to consider the popular Boy Scout tree sale as a great opportunity to introduce people to the wonderful potential of our newest town park. It could make the month of December a very festive time in the heart of Amherst.

I realize this only addresses a small window of time in the annual use of our park, but it could be a good start that could set a tone of cooperation in town.

Thank you for your consideration.

...Alison Donta-Venman

9/25/2008

KENDRICK PARK COMMITTEE  
BUSINESS SURVEY



September 4, 2008  
8:30 AM

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Name Cathie Watz

Business The Blue Marble

Phone Number 413 253 0328

E-Mail Address BlueMarblegifts@aol.com

Comments/Suggestions

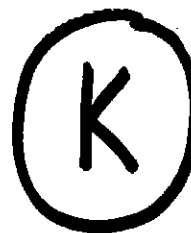
I love the idea of a carousel! as something really different - a real destination!  
Would love to see activities and peaceful places alike to draw in folks

I do not like the idea (that I am told is already likely to happen) of an outdoor/indoor market. If one of the purposes of this work is draw more people to the businesses in town, why would we give the businesses competition?

I am interested in helping out on a committee but like most people am trying to figure out how to work another thing into my life!

Thanks

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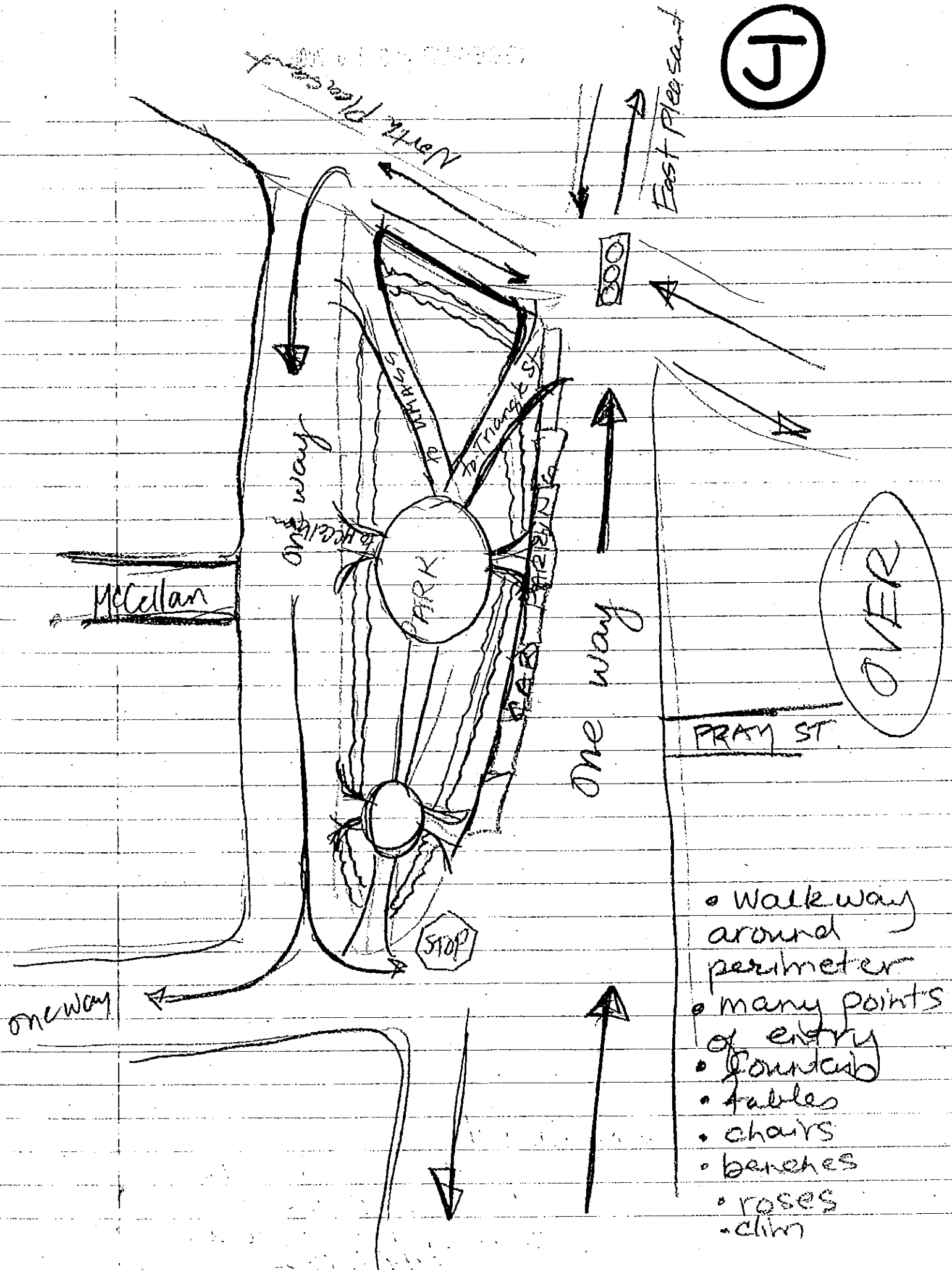


Dear Larry and Jonathan,

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- > I would like to give my input on the development of Kendrick Park,
- > hoping it is not too late. I know there were recent hearings, and still
- > would appreciate this being included in public feedback.
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- > My preference would be to do very little to develop Kendrick Park.
- > Though some might claim the town has enough park spaces, both downtown
- > and beyond, this is a lovely stretch of sanity and non-intensity at the
- > "other" end of town. There are several things that can be done in the
- > north end of the CBD to help bring business and customers to the
- > Carriage Shops, and they should be done; and one of them is maintain
- > some balance between intensity and calm.
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- > Possibly some unobtrusive, beautiful, natural (stone) benches placed
- > wisely would encourage people to relax and talk. Maybe some design of a
- > walking garden or unpretentious labyrinth or rock garden could be a
- > cornerstone. Maybe some provision for a low impact skating rink, as was
- > rigged up last winter. Maybe, at most, some very natural seeming way to
- > accommodate a small gathering, to hear a poet or musician on a very
- > intimate scale. Maybe, at the very most, a bocce court.
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- > But basically, as little as possible, and nothing trendy or garish like
- > a skate park, my main theme is: as nothing as possible. And I'm
- > suggesting one of the above, not all of the above.
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- > Also, if there was some way to gently increase the parking around the
- > park- diagonal, or compact only, would also be good.
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- > thanks
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- > Ira Bryck
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- > Ira Bryck, Director
- > UMass Amherst Family Business Center
- > Continuing & Professional Education
- > 100 Venture Way
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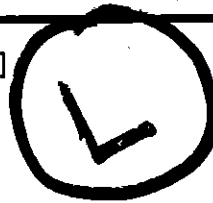
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Arcamo, Judith

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From: Nancy A. Myers [namyers@psych.umass.edu]  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2008 4:13 PM  
To: Kendrick Park Committee  
Subject: Ideas on Kendrick Park



Since we will be away for the General Community Meeting, and note a special meeting for kids and their parents, we hope we may put in some input on Kendrick Park use.

1. We strongly favor the continuation of Kendrick Park as a lovely, shaded, green space on the walking route from the north to downtown. A few benches and perhaps a few picnic tables and a walking path from the North Pleasant to the East Pleasant edges would be further enhancements and provide a welcome resting place, especially for more senior walkers like ourselves! Surely, this plan would be the least costly in these troubled economic times, and yet a real enhancement. If funds would allow, perhaps some modest public restrooms could be provided.

2. Because of the special opportunity apparently being given to children and their parents to provide input, we also wish to express our belief that the area would not be a good one for formal playground use, skate parks, or activities that would encourage car parking, or drop-off and pick-up areas, etc. The traffic along all sides of the park is formidable and difficult to navigate as is, and further parking spaces there would just compound the felony! Furthermore, it is unclear how the safety of children using the park could be ensured without fencing and gate access, and that would further limit the scenic and pastoral components of the space.

We have enjoyed the gradual expansion of the green for the 48 years we have been walking from Mount Pleasant to Town Central, and hope to keep the tranquillity of this precious open space for a long time in the future --

Nancy and Jerry Myers  
44 Mount Pleasant

Arcamo, Judith

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From: Patricia Appelbaum [pfa1525@mapinternet.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2008 12:39 PM  
To: Kendrick Park Committee  
Subject: Ideas for park



I'm unable to come to the meeting tonight, so here are a few ideas:

1. Keep the general feeling of green space.

I walk in town a lot. The streetscape, heading north from the intersection of Main and North Pleasant, is lively in some places, but bleak in others. North Pleasant Street is wide, the sidewalks add more width, the area around the fire station and the CVS is bare and plain. In the summer especially, there is a lot of glare, and it can feel like a hot, dull walk.

Then you pass Kellogg Avenue, come around a slow curve, and what appears to your weary eyes but a lovely shady oasis of trees and grass! It really makes a difference to the feeling of downtown. Please, let's keep that.

2. But I can see that the green space still looks like a series of house lots, especially with the way the trees and shrubs are aligned. I wouldn't object to reshaping it.

3. I also wouldn't object to encouraging more activity in the park. I just think we should retain that overall feeling of a green oasis.

4. There is talk of an indoor farmers' market. I would certainly go to an indoor market if we had one, but I'm not sure Kendrick Park is the best place to put it. We'd have to park in the Pray Street lot and cross a busy street, or else park in a residential neighborhood. (Or make a parking lot in Kendrick Park. Please don't.)

5. There is also talk of an outdoor marketplace. I tend to think we have enough craft fairs and street vendors already. They are wonderful, and I enjoy them -- but there are only so many consumer dollars to go around. Besides, if we are going to encourage retail business, perhaps we should focus on long-term, year-round establishments.

6. I'd love to see an outdoor café or eating place in the park -- with an indoor area for cold weather -- but perhaps we have enough of those already, too.

Thanks for all your good work on this project, and especially for encouraging public input.

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Sent via the WebMail system at mail.mapinternet.com

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Arcamo, Judith

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From: awalton@depillis.org  
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2008 1:13 PM  
To: Kendrick Park Committee  
Cc: mario@depillis.org  
Subject: playground idea



I compliment the Kendrick Park Committee on its efforts to solicit ideas from the community on the best use of Amherst's new downtown park space. I hope you can absorb one more suggestion.

My husband (Mario DePillis Jr.) has already written passionately that Kendrick Park should have a playground. His rationale is that downtown Amherst should be more welcoming of families with young children, to make it possible for "residential" to continue to be part of a mixed-use town core.

I agree wholeheartedly that we need more young families in Amherst Center and that a playground is a must for Kendrick Park. I would like to add, however, that the RIGHT playground would be a destination in itself; not just for children who live here, but something that would bring families from other towns to downtown Amherst to play - and shop and eat here, too.

So let's not have just any playground; let's have something unique and appealing.

My sons and I recently visited the Adventure Playground in Berkeley, California ([www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/marina/marina.exp/adventplgd.htm](http://www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/marina/marina.exp/adventplgd.htm)). We went with a group composed of families from all over the Bay Area. We had a blast, then came away saying (1) "Why don't I have something like this in my town?" and (2) "Where can I get something to eat?"

The Adventure Playground is unique in its fearlessness and appeal to the creativity of children. In a fenced area, staffed by volunteers, children are provided with tools (saws, hammers, paints) and scrap lumber, and are invited to build structures and take them apart. Those who don't feel like building can clamber on ropes, launch themselves down a zipline into a pile of sawdust, or bang on an old piano.

The Adventure Playground model would have to be modified to suit our town's climate and space constraints, of course - but its audacity and tone (real tools, real structures, plenty of fresh air and dirt) are very "Amherst". I encourage you to look into it.

Many thanks,  
Anne H. Walton  
27 Gaylord St.  
Amherst

Hi Christina:

Sorry Norton and I were unable to get to the meeting last Sunday.

We would have very much liked to have been there because we feel very strongly about what happens to that small "oasis" at the end of town.

What happens to it will really impact on a great number of families living in the adjacent blocks, especially McClellan Street.

We cringed when we read in the paper that Town Manager Larry Shaffer said that "the business community is excited by the potential of the park becoming a catalyst for development and an attraction to the public."

As an architect and planner Norton is more than a little interested as to what kind of plans have surfaced so far! What does this mean?!!! What kind of development are they talking about?

There have been an awful lot of ideas put forth already about what to do with the park, but here's what we'd like to see happen:

Use some of the money still left in the trust to do a beautiful landscaping job on the site - lots of shade trees, seating areas and maybe a Band Shell for concerts, but otherwise LEAVE IT OPEN AND PARK LIKE!

Hope we can get to the next meeting.

All the best,

Jeanne and Norton(Juster) 55 Kellogg Avenue

Arcamo, Judith

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From: DAVID F. FARKAS [david@farkas.com]  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2008 1:29 AM  
To: Kendrick Park Committee  
Subject: Great meeting you...



Hi folks...

I'm the guy who talked to you earlier this week at the southern end of the park. I gave several of you my card about the clearing work that I do.

You asked for my input, so a few observations.

- There are two natural open fields. One where you were standing at the south end, the other almost at the north end is used for frisby and ball games, usually by college kids.
- I would suggest developing the south end as an open green for lying in the sun, hanging out, etc. The bus stop and parking make it accessible. A few minor improvements like benches would do the trick.
- The areas to the north have the problem of no parking and can only be safely accessed (without crossing busy traffic) from the North Pleasant side.
- The north east corner always feels exposed and noisy... and isolated since there is really nothing close by except Bertuccis. There is a nice quiet spot in the north west corner that might be a natural picnic area. It has some separation because it's raised from the street and it's pretty quiet.
- But, that north east corner needs some plantings or construction to separate it from traffic. Still... it's an isolated spot at night. (I sometimes take late walks around Kendrick Park and into town, so I have felt the area at various times of day and night.
- Seems to me the area to 'develop' is in the middle, but there is no parking, underground water and the energy of the old house.

BTW, as I mentioned when we spoke, I'm happy to do a clearing of the park including the issues from the old haunted house and the geopathic issues like underground water. Clearing it will make this whole process move along more smoothly.

I'll see if I can stop by on Sunday when you're out there waving your arms again. <g>

Blissings,  
DaAid





Mario DePillis Jr.  
27 Gaylord St., Apt. 2  
Amherst, MA 01002

Fred Treyz  
242 Lincoln Ave.  
Amherst, MA 01002

October 14, 2008

Kendrick Park Committee  
Town Hall  
Amherst, MA 01002

Dear Members of the Committee,

Fred and I grew up downtown and for different reasons settled our new families in the same downtown neighborhoods. We have watched it change, with businesses moving out of the center to follow families. There were two hardware stores and two supermarkets, now there are none. Hastings hired paperboys, I was one, from the neighborhoods and now there are none. Don Hastings told me before he passed that there simply weren't enough families downtown to hire from.

We don't have toddlers anymore. But when we did, we noticed the lack of a downtown park we could walk to and let our children play. "Kendrick Park," we thought, "is close enough to our neighborhoods to walk." So we spent a little money and asked a firm to design a simple playground fit for the park. It is attached. We still think it is a good idea for Kendrick Park.

Development style is choice. Our town has not been choosing families for the core. Kendrick Park stands as an oasis that can attract families to the core. It was the donor's open space idea, but it was a downtown open space.

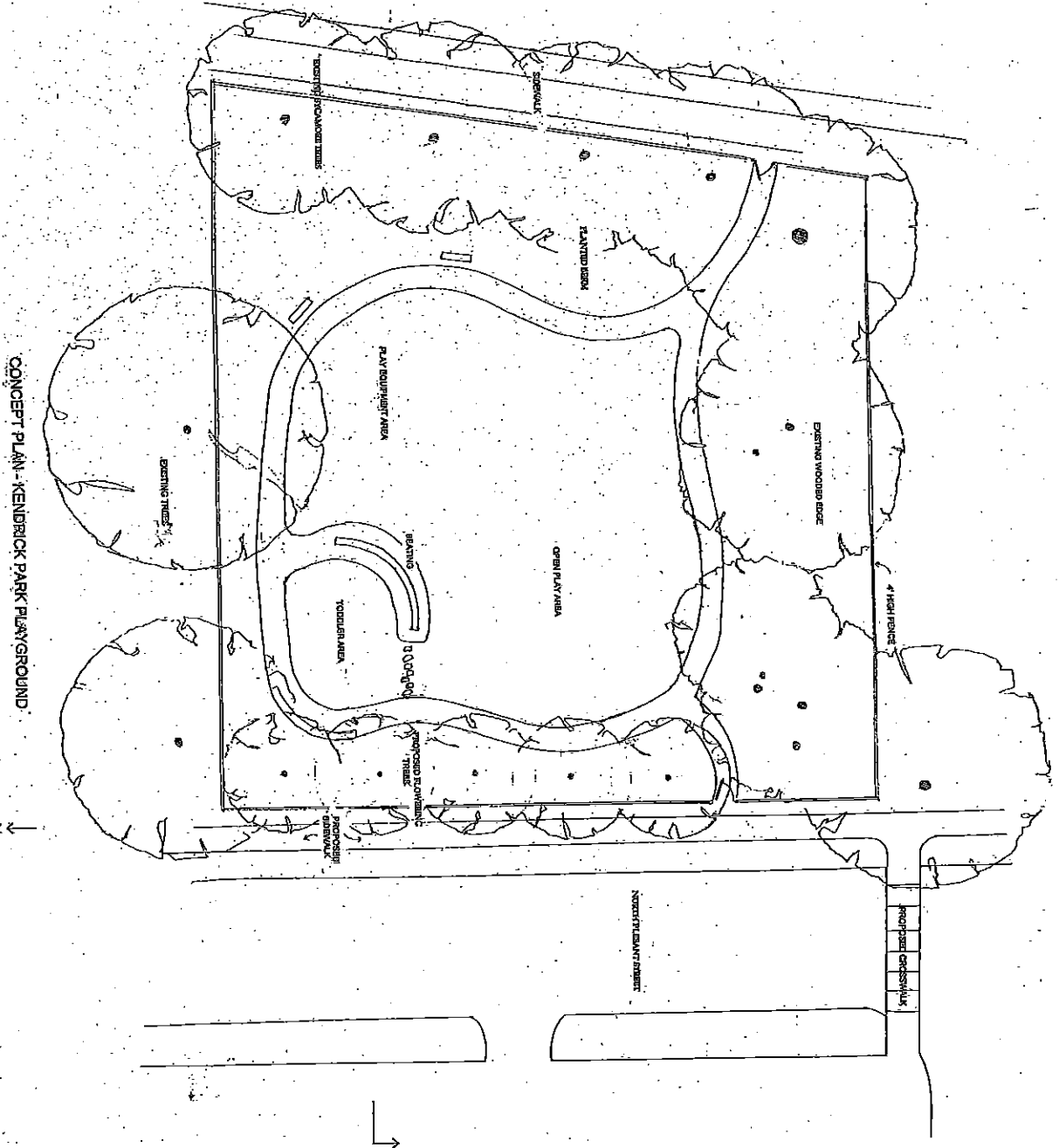
Kendrick Park provides Amherst with an opportunity to reverse its general trend of hollowing out the core. Families make their location decision when their children are young. A playground is an amenity that will attract them downtown. Later, like us, they'll still be downtown.

A residential downtown preserves open space outside downtown, but it cannot be done without the younger families. Families anchor a vibrant residential mix of single working people, retirees, and students. The mix creates an environment that goes beyond restaurants and bars.

A playground can establish a residential neighborhood. Few things bind a neighbors better than children. Parents watch their children play at a park talk to other parents, exchange notes on schools, and form friendships.

We don't have toddlers anymore, but we want a healthy neighborhood and a downtown people want to live in. A dense residential downtown, one that supports families with children as well as working singles, retirees and students, is how our town can preserve open space. A simple playground would be a step in that direction.

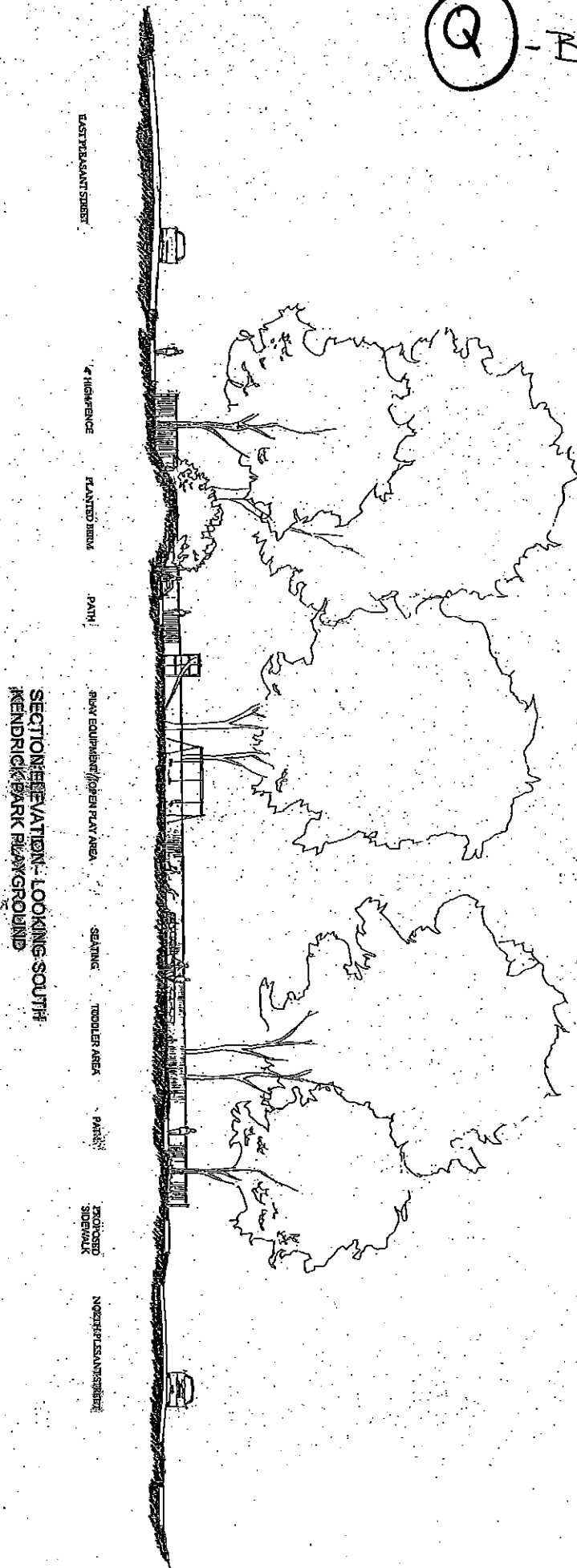
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CONCEPT PLAN - KENDRICK PARK PLAYGROUND



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EAST PLEASANT STREET

4' HIGH FENCE

PLANTED BED

PATH

PLAY EQUIPMENT / OPEN PLAY AREA

SEATING

TODDLER AREA

PATH

PROPOSED SIDEWALK

NORTH PLEASANT STREET

SECTION ELEVATION - LOOKING SOUTH  
KENDRICK PARK PLAYGROUND

